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Port Almanac—Sept. 30.

Sun Rises	5.53 A M
Sun Sets	5.46 P M
Day's Length	11 h 53 m
High Water at Southport	10.03 A M
High Water at Wilmington	11.43 A M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Sept. 30.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 58°; 8 p. m., 65°; maximum, 75°; minimum, 54°; mean, 64°.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 1.54.

Weather conditions for twelve hours ended at 8 p. m. September 29, furnished by the Weather Bureau office:

Conditions have changed very slightly during the past twenty-four hours The high barometer area is now central over Virginia, extending southwest to Texas and causing continued fair weather over the east Gulf, with the rain area extending over Florida, southern Georgia and Alabama. The barometer continues low over the Northwest. The Western warm wave is spreading eastward and now covers the upper lakes and thence southwest.

Local forecast for the ensuing thirty-six hours ending 12 o'clock midnight Thursday: Cloudy, with occasional showers probable; warmer; northwest winds Thursday.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN.

Fair, moderately warm weather has prevailed generally over the cotton belt, the only exception being heavy rain over southern Georgia; heaviest reported, Thomasville, Ga., 1.76 inches; Jacksonville, Fla., 1.92.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Sept. 28.—At 8 a. m. the stage of water in the Cape Fear river was 1.1 feet.

OUTLINES.

The armor plate board expects to come South about October 15th. —— Dead body of a notorious white woman found hanging to a tree in Rockingham county, Va. —— Schooner Jesse Murdock, from Georgetown, S. C., to Boston, damaged in the recent hurricane, is at Chatham, Mass., with three sick men on board. —— There is a rumor in London that the United States government has made overtures to Denmark for the purchase of Greenland; the rumor is ridiculed by State Department officials in Washington. —— The Republican State convention of Massachusetts nominated Roger Wolcott for Governor; the platform denounced free silver. —— The Spanish cabinet resigned; Sagasta, the Liberal leader, it is believed, will be asked to form a new cabinet; it is said that he is in favor of removing Captain General Weyler and granting autonomy to Cuba immediately. —— A supposed case of yellow fever is reported at Mifflin, Ind. —— Fire in Washington, D. C., last night destroyed the power station of the Capital Traction Company and several buildings on Pennsylvania avenue; loss about $1,000,000. —— The yellow fever scare at Houston, Tex., has thrown 2,000 men out of employment and the loss to trade is estimated at a million dollars. —— Twenty-four new cases of yellow fever yesterday at Edwards, Miss.; at Mobile, four new cases and one death; at New Orleans, twenty-two new cases and three deaths. —— Spanish Liberals say they will resist the pretensions of the United States. —— The torpedo boat destroyers Lynx and Thrasher grounded at Plymouth; the Thrasher broke in two; three men were killed and two others injured. —— Nine new cases of yellow fellow and one death at Scranton, Miss. —— New York markets: Money on call was steady at 2@3 per cent., last loan at 2 and closed offered at 2 per cent.; cotton quiet—middling 6¼c; flour sold off 5 to 10c on all grades in sympathy with wheat; wheat—spot weak, No. 2 red 94⅜c afloat; corn—spot weak, No. 2 38¾c afloat; rosin steady—strained common to good $1.40@1.45; spirits turpentine firm at 32¼@32¾c.

A St. Louis Car Company has a contract to build 100 cars for an electric street railway in Berlin, the first established in Germany.

The Maryland cyclists are wheeling into politics and are pooling their issues to pledge the candidates for the Legislature to good roads.

The faculty of the State normal school of Kansas are trying to prevent overcrowding that institution and have advised students to wash their feet three times a week.

There is considerable activity in colonizing in Kentucky, according to the Louisville *Dispatch* The Republican campaign managers are importing colonies of negroes for use on election day.

Since 1856 the time of crossing the Atlantic has been reduced nearly one-half. They have it down to a little over five days. How much it will be reduced in the next twenty years who can tell.

Some English people went crazy in consequence of the Queen's jubilee. One of them named his baby girl Eileen Rowena Victoria Diamond Jubilee Vagg. She wasn't a very robust child either.

The oldest "old maid" in the world is Miss Dowling, of Indiana, who says she has never seriously thought of marriage, and never kept company with any but two "fellers," and neither had the "spunk" to ask her to marry. This gave her such a small opinion of men, that she has never hankered for them since.

THE MORNING STAR.

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Attention is called to the following REDUCED RATES of Subscription to THE MORNING STAR:

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TO CITY SUBSCRIBERS.

The STAR will be delivered by carrier at any point in the city at 12 cents per week, or 45 cents per month.

The impression prevails that the Southern States are the greatest users of commercial fertilizers, but this is a mistake. They are surpassed by the Western States. An official statement which divides the States into groups, shows that eleven Southern States use 1,138,802 tons, ten Northeastern States 333,000 tons, seven Northwestern States 96,200 tons, Western group, fourteen States, 1,575,632 tons.

We didn't think that this country would let British Klondike get away with it in rich gold finds, and now the young State of Washington comes to the front with some discoveries reported to yield $10,000 a ton. The gold is run in the rock in wire form and all the finder has to do is to pull it out and wind it on a spool. That country has a civilized climate, too.

The Raleigh *Press-Visitor* has added another column, making it an eight-column paper. We don't know what Raleigh may have in the future, but in the past it has never had as good an evening paper as the *Press-Visitor*. This enlargement is an evidence both of appreciation and support, on both of which we congratulate it.

In one of his speeches in Ohio, Mark Hanna, referring to the last election, exclaimed: "I didn't do it—I didn't inspire the American heart!" No, he didn't do much inspiring. He simply gathered that big campaign fund and utilized it in the most business-like way.

Lieut Peary is proud of the meteoric stone he has brought back with him from the Arctic regions. It measures 12 by 8 feet, and weighs 100 tons, and is said to be composed of material similar to the metal with which warships are armored, and looks like nickeled steel.

Since the Luetgert trial has been on the denizens of Chicago have no appetite for sausage, and dogs can roam at large free from molestation. They say you would have to present a Chicago man a couple of chromos now to induce him to eat sausage.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HALL & PEARSALL—Salt.
W. B. COOPER—Mahogany.
MORRIS BEAR & BRO.—For rent.
WIL. STAMP WORKS—Dater for 30c.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

STR. DAGGETT—Notice.
Y. M. C. A.—Night school.
WM. SHEEHAN, JR.—Notice.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— The tide at Wrightsville beach was reported as being unusually high yesterday.

— Schooner *Edgar C. Ross*, hence for New York, put into Norfolk Tuesday for a harbor.

— Sporting is particularly fine on Wrightsville sound now. Marsh hens are in great abundance.

— Rev. Edw. Wooten has purchased the residence of the late William A. Wright, on Third street, between Market and Dock.

— The steamer *Wilmington* took about one hundred of the Charlotte excursionists to Southport yesterday. Others of the party went to Wrightsville beach.

— The British steamship *Roxby*, Captain Shield, was cleared yesterday for Liverpool, Eng., by Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son., with 9,338 bales of cotton, valued at $311,592.

— Mr. William Sheehan, Jr., real estate agent, gives notice in the advertisements that he attends to the collection of monthly accounts as well as to the collection of rents.

— In Justice Fowler's court yesterday, Joseph Bolton, colored, was bound over to the Criminal Court on the charge of assaulting Dave Baldwin, also colored, with a deadly weapon.

— The Fall trade is beginning to open up with the retail merchants. A change for the better has been perceptible for some time. The wholesale men have been having a "good thing" of it all along.

— One of the neatest things seen on the streets yesterday was the brilliant sheet of aluminum decorating the "bikes" of the Postal Telegraph messengers and bearing the name of the company in bright blue letters.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents. tf

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. Jos. Hill is on the sick list.

— Mr. S. Meares, of Clinton, was here yesterday.

— Mr. W. A. Sanders left yesterday for the Northern markets.

— The STAR regrets to learn of the sickness of Mr. W. M. Howey.

— Col. F. W. Foster and family moved up to the city from Wrightsville beach yesterday.

— Mr. S. A. Bethune, editor of the Sampson *Democrat*, arrived in the city last evening.

— Messrs. H. and T. S. Lutterloh, of Fayetteville, were among yesterday's hotel registrations.

— Mr. R. I. Katz, of Greensboro, has been in the city for several days greeting his friends.

— Mr. W. Buckner, route agent for the Southern Express Company, arrived in the city yesterday.

— Rev. T. P. Ricaud and daughter, Miss Rosa, returned to the city from Mount Airy yesterday.

— Mr. John Wessell left last evening for Baltimore, where he will take a course in pharmacy.

— Mr. J. G. L. Gieschen arrived in the city last evening after an absence of four months in Germany.

— Miss Lena Sparkman, of Rocky Point, who has been visiting at Dr. J. C. Shepard's, returned home yesterday.

— Mr. J. E. Pigford and family have gone to Baltimore and will make that city their home for the future. They left Tuesday afternoon.

— Mr. L. B. Dozier, formerly of the firm of Dozier & Lee, but now travelling representative of Loutz Bros. & Co., soap manufacturers, Buffalo, N. Y., is in the city.

— Mr. Geo. H. Ward and family leave to-night for Greensboro, where they will make their future home. Mr. Ward entering into the millinery business in that city. For a number of years Mr. Ward was employed in the capacity of superintendent of Bellevue cemetery, a position which he faithfully filled.

SUPERIOR COURT.

The Suit for Damages Against the Wilmington Street Railway Company Still on Trial.

Another day was consumed yesterday in the Superior Court in trial of the case of Mrs. Jennie T. Rittenhouse vs. Wilmington Street Railway Company.

The witnesses examined yesterday were Capt. W. J. Newsom, Capt. Jno. Barry and Messrs. C. E. Wood, W. J. Brown, J. T. Sellers, Oscar Hinton, and C. O Byerly (recalled). The evidence of Capt. Barry and Mr. Sellers was given as expert testimony. The case will require the attention of the Court the entire week, and probably a good portion of next week.

Shortly before 6 o'clock Court took a recess until 10 o'clock this morning.

During the morning session A. J. Marshall, Esq., presented to the Court Jas. W. Price, Esq., who displayed his certificate from the Supreme Court, and was sworn in.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—524 bales cotton, 10 casks spirits turpentine, 7 bbls tar, 50 bbls crude turpentine.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R.R.—2 879 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine, 14 bbls tar.

Carolina Central R. R.—368 bales cotton, 2 bbls tar.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—153 bales cotton, 33 casks spirits turpentine, 225 bbls rosin, 49 bbls tar.

Steamer A. P. Hart—33 bales cotton, 27 casks spirits turpentine, 61 bbls rosin, 15 bbls tar.

Wilmington & Newbern R. R.—74 bales cotton, 30 casks spirits turpentine, 18 bbls crude turpentine.

Total receipts—Cotton, 3,481 bales, spirits turpentine, 95 casks; rosin, 289 bbls; tar, 87 bbls; crude turpentine, 48 bbls.

The Public Schools.

According to announcement Prof. M. C. S. Noble was at the Union school house yesterday for the purpose of examining and classifying new pupils South of Market street. About 100 pupils reported. The majority of these, of course, go to the lower grades, though some of the applicants were assigned to the high school.

Only the new pupils North of Market street are requested to meet Prof. Noble at the Hemenway this morning at 10 a. m.

The Steamer Daggett.

Note the schedule of the steamer *Daggett*. She will leave the Water Land Depot for Town Creek at 10 o'clock Monday and Friday mornings, returning Tuesdays and Saturdays. On Wednesdays she will leave at 10 a. m. for Long Creek, returning the following day. Capt. Thos. G. Williams, formerly of the *Geo. D. Purdy*, running from Jacksonville to Marines, is on the *Daggett* now. The agent is Mr. C. E. Bender.

Eastern Baptist Association.

The Southside Baptist Church have elected the following delegates to represent the church at the Eastern Association, which convenes in Kenansville next Tuesday: Rev. F. H. Farrington and Messrs. J. S. Canady, F. A. Montgomery and R. B. Moore.

Account Merchants' and Manufacturers' Free Street Fair and Trade Carnival, Knoxville, Tenn., October 19th to 15th, the Seaboard Air Line will sell tickets to Knoxville from Wilmington October 11th and 14th, inclusive, at rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets good for return passage fifteen days from date of sale.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Special Meeting—New Members Received—Committees Appointed to Secure a Meeting Place.

A special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was held yesterday afternoon at 8 o'clock. President James H. Chadbourn, Jr., presided, with Col. John L. Cantwell secretary.

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with on motion of Mr. W. E. Worth.

The following names were presented for membership and duly elected, viz: Messrs. W. C. Jones, G. Bshreads, R W. Hicks, S. H. Fishblate, Giles W. Westbrook, Walter L. Parsley, W. A. Johnson and Owen F. Love & Co.

On motion, President Chadbourn appointed Messrs. W. E. Worth, Gabriel Holmes and J. B. Mercer as a committee to see about obtaining a suitable meeting place to be used by the Chamber.

Col. John L. Cantwell read the following communication, viz:

WILMINGTON, N. C. Sept. 9, 1897.

Col. John L. Cantwell, Secretary Wilmington Chamber of Commerce:

DEAR SIR—I received to day a copy of the resolutions adopted by the Chamber in regard to my late father, Alfred Martin.

His family greatly appreciate this evidence of esteem for him and sympathy for those he left behind.

It is certainly gratifying to believe that his life was one to commend as an example, and it is a proud tribute to his memory. With our sincere thanks,

I am very truly,
E. S. MARTIN.

President Chadbourn stated that he had been informed and noticed that the United States Government was in the habit of keeping the streets and roads leading to its hospitals in good condition, and suggested that if the proper parties be consulted in the matter that some of the streets of this city, especially Eighth street, leading to the Marine Hospital, would be repaired.

On motion of Mr. Gabriel Holmes, the President was authorized to appoint a committee to look after the matter suggested by him (the President) at once.

Mr. Marcus W. Jacobi requested that the Transportation Committee be urged on in their work of trying to obtain a reduction in freight rates.

President Chadbourn said he would see the committee in person and urge them on in their work.

The meeting then, at 4 45 o'clock, adjourned.

OPERA HOUSE.

Miss Bertha Creighton in Romeo and Juliet To-morrow Night.

Of late the love for classical plays seems to have died out, owing to the fact that few Thespians now upon the stage are competent to appear in plays of that order, but it is said that Miss Bertha Creighton, who appears to morrow night at the Opera House in the immortal Shakespeare's great play, "Romeo and Juliet," is fully capable of portraying the role of *Juliet*, and that the support afforded her is very fine. The costumes in the production are said to be all that the most fastidious taste could wish. Miss Creighton wears, as *Juliet*, five gowns of wonderful beauty and costly price; her ball dress alone is estimated at a thousand dollars with the other robes in proportion. One gown that is sure to set the ladies' hearts fluttering is worn in the balcony scene; it is of heavy white satin, falling in most graceful folds from the neck, with floating sleeves outlined in swansdown, the soft feathery substance of which catches the rays of moonlight, reflecting it again to the glittering satin, the whole effect being most dreamy and rich. All of the gowns were made by one of New York's best costumers.

Seats now on sale at Gerken's.

A Prominent Citizen of Pender Passes Away.

Dr. James F. Simpson, aged 78 years, and one of the landmarks of Pender county, died at his home about two miles from Point Caswell at 9 o'clock Tuesday night. As announced in the STAR some weeks ago he was only just recovering from a stroke of paralysis, which at first threatened his life, when he was confined to his room with a severe and fatal attack of pneumonia. The funeral will be conducted from the family residence at 10 o'clock this morning.

The deceased had numerous friends in this city who knew of his failing health, but will none the less be grieved to learn of his death. He was a practicing physician for many years, but some years ago relinquished the practice of medicine and devoted himself to the life of a planter. He leaves his wife and twelve children, among whom are Mrs. George F. Lucas, Mrs. R. P. Paddison, Mrs. A. H. Paddison, and Mr. Liston Simpson, all of Point Caswell.

Y. M. C. A. Night School.

The fifth session of the Y. M. C. A. night school will begin next Monday at 8 o'clock p. m. The Association has engaged Mr. Harry L Rew of Norfolk, as teacher in arithmetic and bookkeeping, and Mr. John E. Hocky of Philadelphia, for the classes in shorthand, penmanship and spelling. There will be twenty-four weeks of lessons, giving four each week, or ninety-six lessons in all for each study. The terms will be very low, and books will be furnished by the Association free of charge to pupils. The pupils have the choice of the studies, but no one can take more than three, as the time will not allow. Further particulars may be obtained at the building. Those who mean to attend, should hand in their applications at once, as after October 24th a larger fee will be charged.

Account North Carolina State Agricultural Fair, Raleigh, N. C., October 18th to 23d, the Seaboard Air Line will sell round trip tickets from Wilmington to Raleigh October 20th and 21st at rate of $3 90. This rate embraces 50 cents for one admission to the fair grounds. Tickets good for return passage on or before October 26th, 1897.

FOOT BALL PLAYERS.

A Team to Be Organized From the Four Associations in Wilmington—Joint Meeting Held Last Night.

With players to be selected from four athletic associations—the Wilmington, the O. A. N.; the A. C. L., and the Y. M. C. A.—the Wilmington foot ball team should be, and will be, hard to down, and will stand ready to contest for honors on the gridiron with the best elevens of the South.

A joint meeting of a committee from each of the four associations was held last night. Messrs. N. N. Davis and Thos. W. Davis represented the A. C. L.; Messrs. George P. James and J. McRee Hatch the O. A. N.; Messrs. John D. Bellamy, Jr., 2d, and Jas. Sinclair the Wilmington, and Mr. Parker the Y. M. C. A.

Mr. Lonnie Southerland was called to the chair.

The meeting was called for the purpose of perfecting a foot ball club, and so, after some discussion, it was decided, to call the club the Wilmington Foot Ball Team, and that the entire management of this team should be by the A. C. L. and O. A. N. associations, who are to have entire control of the team.

On motion, Mr. Thos. W. Davis was elected manager, and Mr. Jas. McRee Hatch captain.

Wilmington will now have one of if not the strongest foot ball teams in the State, and there is no reason why the boys should not have good games here this season. They feel confident that they will hold their own against all comers.

The following will probably contest for positions on the team: W. W. Vick, James Sinclair, J. McRee Hatch, —— Parker, Thos. M. Green, L. B Southerland, Leon Southerland, T. M. King, W. Savage, Bradley Wooten, W. M. Terry, Chas. E. Taylor, D. B. Holland, Robert Gwaltney, Charles Lewis, F. M. Fulford, W. I. Taylor, John Wanamaker, Junius Gordon, J. D. Latham, H. B. Peschau, Jas. M. Stevenson, W. P. Oldham, Jr., and H. R. Moore.

Mr. Thos. W. Davis promises to have some tip-top games here this season, and no doubt he will.

Mr. McRee Hatch, who is well known in foot ball circles, says he will have his team in fighting shape in a short while.

One good step taken by the meeting was the electing of Mr. Jno. D. Bellamy, Jr., 2nd, official referee, as he is a well known and correct authority on the rules and regulations governing the "pigskin" game.

BASE BALL.

The National League—Result of Yesterday's Games and Other Interesting Features.

YESTERDAY'S GAMES.

Baltimore, 6; Washington, 3.
Boston, 13; Brooklyn, 4
New York, 7; Philadelphia, 1.

WHERE THEY PLAY TO DAY.

Washington at Baltimore.
Boston at Brooklyn.
Cincinnati at Louisville
Philadelphia at New York.
Cleveland at Pittsburg.
Chicago at St. Louis.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	Won.	Lost.	Per Cent.
Boston	93	38	.708
Baltimore	89	38	.701
New York	82	47	.636
Cincinnati	74	55	.574
Cleveland	68	59	.535
Brooklyn	60	70	.462
Washington	59	70	.457
Pittsburg	57	71	.445
Chicago	57	71	.445
Philadelphia	54	76	.415
Louisville	51	77	.398
St. Louis	29	100	.225

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BROOKLYN, September 29.—The Bostons and Brooklyns began a series of three games at Eastern Park this afternoon, on which much depends for both teams. Winning all the games will give the Bostons the championship, no matter what Baltimore does. A majority of the games for Brooklyn means a cinch on the only place still left in the first division—sixth.

The management had arranged to handle a large crowd, but the cranks failed to materialize, and when the game began, only about 3,600 persons were present. It was Kennedy against Lewis, and for six innings it was nip and tuck, Lewis having a shade the better of the argument. In the seventh inning Kennedy took a ride in the "air ship," and before he came back to earth the Beaneaters had hit him for one three-bagger, four singles and a sacrifice, which brought in four runs. This was more than Capt. Griffin would stand and so he called on Payne in the eighth inning. He looked like Kennedy to the Bostons and three more runs was the result, thus clinching the victory. After the third inning Lewis had the home team completely at his mercy. The support given the youngster bordered on the phenomenal. Duffy took a ball off the left field fence and was loudly cheered, for it was a grand piece of work Stahl caught Shoch's foul fly from off the top of the picket fence in the sixth. Long and Lowe seemed to be all the field.

BALTIMORE, September 29.—Washington went down before the Champions to-day in a well-played contest. The game was characterized by sharpest kind of fielding on both sides, Wrigley and Jennings bearing the palm.

Nops, while hit for double figures, was very effective in tight places, whereas McJames' six passes to first, two hit batsmen and a wild pitch helped the Orioles to victory.

To-day's attendance was in marked contrast to that of Monday. The reaction seems to have set in and though the faithful "rooters" are full of hope, the enthusiasm of Monday last was conspicuous by its absence. Attendance 1,919.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cent

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

"Home Comfort Oil" is not fire proof, but will burn and give a soft, brilliant light. Is warranted to be the best safe family oil in the world. †

Warehouse Burned and Wharf Damaged.

Yesterday afternoon, at 2 30 o'clock, a one-story frame warehouse, unoccupied, the property of the Wilmington and Newbern Railroad Company, situated on the wharf below Kidder's mill, was discovered to be on fire, and an alarm was sent in from box 45, Front and Castle streets (instead of from box 412, Kidder's mill, which should have been done). The building was entirely consumed, and a portion of the wharf badly damaged. The origin of the fire is unknown, but it had evidently been burning for some time before the alarm was sent in.

Death of Mr. Jno. F. Bloom.

Last night at 11.15 o'clock Mr. Jno. F. Bloom, of this city, passed quietly from this life into death, after many years of patient suffering. The deceased had been sick for a number of years and the end was not unexpected yet it brings sorrow to many hearts. Mr. Bloom was a son of the late H. H. Bloom, and leaves a sister, Mrs. Geo. Fredericks, and a brother, Mr. W. H. Bloom, both of this city, to mourn his loss.

The funeral will be held at the family residence, corner Fifth and Chesnut streets, this afternoon at 4 30 o'clock.

Account Cheraw Agricultural Fair, Cheraw, S. C., November 23d to 26th, the Seaboard Air Line will sell tickets to Cheraw on above named dates from Wilmington at rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets good for return passage on or before November 29th, 1897.

DIED.

BLOOM—In this city, on the evening of September 29, 1897, at 11.15 o'clock, JNO. F. BLOOM, in the thirty fifth year of his age.

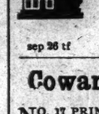
Funeral from family residence, corner Fifth and Chesnut streets, this (Thursday) afternoon at 4.30 o'clock.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

For Rent.

THAT NEW DWELLING ON CHESNUT near Seventh streets, with all modern conveniences. Water and Bath. Terms reasonable. Possession given at once. Apply to
MORRIS BEAR & BROS.,
sep 30 4t 119 Princess street.

For Rent.



DWELLINGS, STORES AND OFFICES.
Apply to
D. O'CONNOR,
sep 26 tf Real Estate Agent.

Cowan's News Depot,

NO. 17 PRINCESS STREET, TWO DOORS west of the National Bank of Wilmington. New York and other leading Daily Papers, latest Magazines, Periodicals and other publications always on hand. Give us your orders. For finest nickel and dime Cigars in town, call at the Depot. an 23 tf

Office of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Carolina Central R. R. Co.

PORTSMOUTH, VA., Sept. 7th, 1897.

The regular annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Carolina Central Railroad Company will be held in the Front street office of the Company, in the city of Wilmington, N. C., on Thursday, the 7th day of October A. D., 1897, at 1 o'clock p. m.

sep 7 tf JOHN H SHARP, Secretary

This Dater Sent Post Paid on receipt of 30 cents.

Price reduced from 50 cents.

Self Inking Linen Markers, Time Stamps, Paid Stamps, Hand Stamps, Pads, &c.

September 30th, 1897.

Wilmington Stamp Works,
sep 30 tf Wilmington, N. C.

New Load Just Received

HORSES AND MULES AT ALL TIMES.

F. T MILLS,
sep 24 tf 112 and 114 North Water St.

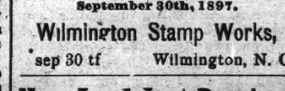
COW PEAS.

We Will Pay a Good Price for

25 to 50 Bushels COW PEAS.

Boney & Harper.
sep 25 tf

Office of the Secretary of the Wilmington & Weldon R. R. Co.



WILMINGTON, N. C., Sept. 22nd, 1897.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WILmington & Weldon Railroad Company have declared three and one half per cent. interest on the certificates of indebtedness of the W. & W. R. R. Co. for the six months ending September 30th, 1897. Interest due and payable on and after October 1st, 1897, at the office of the Treasurer, Wilmington, N. C. The transfer books will stand closed from this date to September 30th, 1897, inclusive.

JAMES F. POST, Jr.,
sep 24 tf Sec'y W. & W. R. R. Co.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Miss Alderman's

SELECT SCHOOL WILL OPEN

October 4th, 1897.

Boys and Girls are prepared for College. Special care and attention given to the little Children. Classes in Shorthand and Typewriting formed on or about the 15th of October.

For further particulars apply to principal.
MARY L. ALDERMAN,
sep 25 6t No 15 South Fourth street.

MAHOGANY.

25 Boxes Job Mahogany.
25 Boxes Brown Mahogany.
25 Boxes Little Trotter Tobacco.
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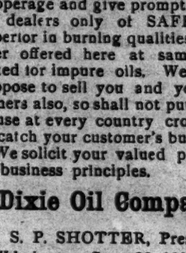

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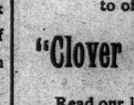

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BEGINNING TO SEE IT.

We published a few days ago an extract from a Hartford, Conn., paper on the progress of cotton manufacturing in the South, in which it remarked that New England might as well give it up that the Southern mills would control the manufacture of the coarser and cheaper grades of goods. There was not much of a discovery in that, for the Southern mills are doing that very thing now and the competition will not be confined to the coarser and cheaper grades.

But the Hartford paper is not the only one which looks forward to the Southern mills as formidable competitors of the Northern mills, for there are others. In commenting upon the increased consumption of cotton by the Southern mills in the past few years the Boston *Journal* says:

"For the first time in their history Southern mills in the past year bought and consumed more than a million bales of cotton. Nothing could demonstrate more clearly the steady expansion of the Southern cotton manufacturing interests. The year was not favorable to general business. The average consumption per spindle in the South was less than it was for the previous twelvemonth. The increase in the aggregate consumption was due to the building of new mills—in other words, to the multiplication of the number of spindles. * * And it is not strange that the rise of factory chimneys and the whirr of wheels is producing a magical change in the economic opinions of planters and business men all over the fair land of Dixie. The South now absorbs with its own machinery more than one-third of the entire cotton consumption of America. The total takings by Southern spinners in 1896-'97 were, as we have stated, 1,049 671 bales against 1,804 680 bales consumed by Northern spinners, out of a total crop of 8,757 934 bales. It is clear that our wide-awake New England manufacturers have not over-estimated the formidable character of Southern competition."

Referring to the concluding lines of this extract the wide awake New England manufacturer realized "the formidable character of Southern competition" some time ago, although some of them tried to close their eyes to it, and were hard to convince, and even then they harbored the hope that the lines of competion would be drawn upon coarse goods, that the Southern mills would not venture to cross the fine goods line, and that they themselves would have undisputed possession of that field. But they are not all of that way of thinking, for some look ing back to the progress the milling industry in the South has made in the past have come to the conclusion that it is simply a question of time when the Southern mills will branch out and cover all the lines now manufactured in the North. Acting on this believe some of these manufacturers are said to have decided, if they have not already done so, to take out their cotton machinery and equip their mills with machinery for manufacturing linen.

What inducements the manufacture of linen offers we do not know, but with a high protective tariff they ought to be pretty good; but whether or not these manufactures show foresight and sagacity in recognizing the possibilities of the Southern mills and the probable competition that confronts the Northern mills in the finer grades of goods, when the Southern manufacturers conclude that it will be well to cross the line and enter that field. It is simply a question of ability, which Southern manufacturers have demonstrated they have, and of capital and skilled labor, both of which may be commanded.

The New York *Commercial Advertiser* has also been studying the progress of the Southern mills, upon which it comments as follows:

"In spite of hard times the cotton manufacturing industry in the South has recently made notable progress. In the last five years the number of cotton mills has increased from 393 to 875. During the same period the number of spindles has increased by more than 50 per cent. It is now over 8,000 000, and the consumption of bales of raw cotton in Southern mills has practically doubled since 1890. The South is rapidly overtaking the North in cotton manufacture. In the year when the McKinley law was passed Northern mills used 1 799,358 bales of cotton and Southern mills used 516,894 bales. Last year Northern consumption of this staple was only 1,804,680 bales, while Southern consumption had leaped to 1,043 671 bales.

"This is a remarkable showing. It is safe to say that it will be a surprise to most Northern business men. On every account it is to be welcomed. One of the greatest disadvantages under which the South has labored has been the lack of diversification of industries. The foremost cotton producing area in the world, she has sent her vast crop of raw material to New England, to Manchester and to Birmingham for manufacture—afterward buying back a large part of it at a much higher price as finished goods. It is manifest that the wealth of the Southern States would be enormously increased if they could transmute their raw cotton into the manufactured product at home, close by the fields where the cotton grows. There is reason to believe that this benefit will ultimately be realized in large degree."

This is a very sensible article and in speaking of the increased wealth to the South by converting the raw material into finished fabrics, simply repeats what Southern papers have said, and emphasized hundreds of times. The *Commercial Advertiser* calls it "a great industry," and draws some conclusions from the progress made, which may afford it some political satisfaction, for it cheers itself with the belief that with the growth of our manufacturing, interests the South will eventually become converted to the doctrine of protection. It simply deceives itself, for with the advantages which the South offers to the manufacturers, not only of cotton but other things they do not need protection, and know that they would be much better off without it. This is what the iron manufacturers of Birmingham told the tariff committee when it was at work on the Dingley tariff, and we know that Southern cotton mills have not derived any benefit from this so-called protection, which was intended to benefit the manufacturers of the North, who didn't have the natural advantages to help them that Southern manufacturers have.

This protection to Northern manufacturers is one of the obstacles against which Southern manufacturers have had to contend in competition with Northern manufacturers, and this is one of the reasons why Northern manufacturers of cotton goods have to such a large extent dropped the manufacture of coarse goods, which had little protection, and surrendered the field to Southern manufacturers, while clinging to the finer goods, which had more protection.

MINOR MENTION.

Hon. Mark Hanna has developed into a stumper, and is now canvassing Ohio. They say he doesn't prepare his speeches, or have them prepared for him, but thinks over the points he wants to cover, and then turns himself loose. But sometimes he forgets the points, or others strike him, and he makes an entirely different kind of a speech from the one he intended making when he mounted the stump. Judging from the extracts we have seen from his speeches, he is much more than the average stumper, although the big I looms up conspicuously in them, showing that Mark has no mean opinion of himself or of his achievements. The following from one of his speeches will serve as a sample of how he plays the big I. Speaking of the last campaign and the results, he said:

"I could see in the light of experience the danger which threatened our beloved country. I saw the opportunity. I saw the man. I thought I saw what was in the hearts of the American people. I, in my own heart, vowed to give myself to the cause of my friend McKinley. Not only because he was my friend—that would have been enough to have commanded all my energies—but I knew him from the day that he entered public life. I had been close to his side. I knew the workings of his mind. I knew the promptings at his heart, and I knew that he was a patriot. I know that such a man was called upon to avert a calamity which threatened our nation, and to that cause, to my country's cause I gave my time and nearly my life."

Somewhat after the style of the *veni, vidi, vici* gentleman, he saw, went in and conquered, and he hasn't any hesitation in letting other people know it. This may not be entirely pleasing to the other gentlemen who co operated with Mr. Hanna, that he should lay claim to all the foresight and all the glory. But that is what he is doing, and he has pretty good grounds for doing it, too. It may be incidentally remarked that the celerity he showed in going for Sherman's place in the Senate and the hankering he shows to hold on, rather knocks out the talk of disinterestedness, devotion to his country, &c., and shows that Mark had an eye to himself when he was boosting his friend McKinley.

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Governor Russell is quoted as saying to a representative of the Washington *Post* that this State will be carried by the Republicans at the next election, and at all succeeding elections, by an overwhelming majority. As a prophet the Governor does not exercise the discretion of limiting himself as to time, but lays claim not only to everything in the near future, but in all the future. But he might as well take a broad sweep when he goes into the prophesying business, for he is just as apt to be right in his unlimited as in his limited forecast. He predicts that the "Republicans" will be victorious, thus seemingly ignoring the Populist allies, whose assistance made victory possible in the last election. Is he sure that he can keep up that combine? Unless the signs are all at fault fusion with the Populists will be much more difficult to effect in coming elections than they have been in the past, for the Populist fusionists, led by Marion Butler, will find a powerful antagonism in their own party and before that thing is attempted we will in all probability see some lively scalp peeling, and read some interesting stories told out of school, which will add very much to the gaiety of the performance. It with the general disgust of the thinking people of North Carolina with the doings of the party now in power, there doesn't come sweeping retribution at the next election it will be one of the most marvellous things in the political history of the State. If an election came off next week it wouldn't be worth the while of Governor Russell's party to count the ballots.

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All of the Southern States are good fruit growing States. Some of them may equal North Carolina in the quality and variety of the fruits grown but none surpass her. As an illustration of the variety grown by one man the Asheville *Citizen*, speaking of a display made in that city by an agent of a nursery in Yadkin county, says it has fifty one varieties of peaches, which ripen from June to October; forty-nine varieties of apples, twelve varieties of cherries, and other fruits. We have seen some of the fruit grown in these orchards which was as fine as we ever saw, and yet not finer than we have seen grown in other orchards in different sections of the State. While the central portion of the State is famous for the variety and quality of the peaches, apples and grapes grown, the Western portion is equally famous for its superb apples, remarkable both for size and quality, and yet there are comparatively few North Carolina apples or peaches to be found in the home markets, whether because freights are too high, or because the proper effort is not being made by the growers, we do not know, but it is a fact, nevertheless.

TWINKLINGS.

— "Jack spends all he mokes."

"If that's all he spends he must be economical"—*Judge.*

— The Sugar—"You're always taking water; why don't you brace up and show some grit?"

The Milk—"I would if I only had your sand."

— Governor—"Why don't you eat your consomme, Bertie?"

Bertie—"'Cause I asked Harry what became of the cook papa discharged and he said she was in the soup."—*Puck.*

— Mattie—"What would you do if you were in my shoes?"

Helen—"Take them to a shoemaker and have them cut down to my size."—*New York Weekly.*

— She—Now, tell the truth. Do I look as old as Nell Edkins does?

He—Dearest, I wish you hadn't asked me to tell the truth.—*Judge.*

— His call had lasted something like two hours when he suggested that he could read her thoughts.

"Then why don't you go?" she asked.—*Truth.*

— Mr. Gotrox—"What would you expect me to do for my daughter if you married her?"

'Georgie Goodthing (slightly embarrassed)—"You—er wouldn't be willing to die for her, would you?"—*Judge.*

— Little Bob—"Aw, I could walk the rope just as well as the man in the circus if it wasn't for one thing!"

Little Willie—"What is that?"

"Little Bob—I'd fall off."—*Harpers Bazar.*

— Biggs—"That man over there is a physician."

Diggs—"How do you know?"

Biggs—"I heard him say that he did not enjoy good health."—*Puck.*

— "Hannah," said the mistress to her new girl, "you can take that brown s ree dress of mine and put it in soak."

Yes'm," said Hanna "who's your favorite pawabroker?"—*Household Words.*

— "Call that a kind man," said an actor, speaking of an absent acquaintance—"a man who is away from his family and never sends them a farthing? Call that kindness?" Yess, unremitting kindness," said the other—*Household Words.*

— She Believes Him: Jones—My wife doesn't believe a word I say.

Smith—I wish mine didn't.

Jones—Why?

Smith—I talk in my sleep—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— 'Why are yez decorating, Mrs. Murphy?'

"Me boy Denny is coming home ter day."

"I thought he was sent up fer foive years."

"Yes, but he got a year off fer good behavoure."

"Sure, it must be comfortin' fer yez to have a good boy loike that."—*Tit Bits.*

CURRENT COMMENT.

— It is to be borne in mind always that our war with Spain is not a brain-spatterint, win pipes litting" struggle, but merely a part of Hanna's campaign for the Ohio Senatorship. This fact reduces its serious ness.—*New York World, Dem.*

— Solomon didn't know what he was talking about when he said there was nothing new under the Sun. A Chicago cashier has just been arrested for stealing money from his employers which he gave to build up a Sunday school.—*Chicago News, Ind.*

— The first secret of Japan's cutting her gold currency in half and adopting the gold standard has been a deficit in her treasury of $25,000,000 and a bond negotiation for that amount. Japan has apparently generated a native John Sherman, and is on theroad to financial harikari.—*Augesta Chronicle, Dem.*

— At Alton, Ill., the police are being employed to keep colored children away from the schools intended for whites. The whites have drawn the color line, and declare that it shall not be crossed. We wonder what would happen if President McKinley were to appoint a negro postmaster at Alton.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

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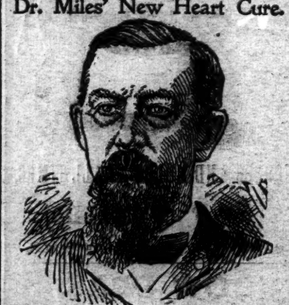

ELI P. BABCOCK, of Avoca, N. Y., a veteran of the 3rd N. Y. Artillery and for thirty years of the Babcock & Munsel Carriage Co., of Auburn, says: "I write to express my gratitude for the miraculous benefit received from Dr. Miles' Heart Cure. I suffered for years, as result of army life, from sciatica which affected my heart in the worst form, my limbs swelled from the ankles up. I bloated until I was unable to button my clothing; had sharp pains about the heart, smothering spells and shortness of breath. For three months I was unable to lie down, and all the sleep I got was in an arm chair. I was treated by the best doctors but gradually grew worse. About a year ago I commenced taking Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure and it saved my life as if by a miracle."

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Greensboro *Record:* Mr. J. W. Boyles, of Slate, Stokes county, has the most prolific peach tree yet reported. It bears annually two fine crops of fruit. He has just gathered the second crop this year and it was larger and finer than the first one.

— Statesville *Landmark:* Numbers of people in South Iredell have heard strange noises within the past few weeks and out in the Cool Spring country a wild beast of some kind has disturbed the peace of the community. Nobody, so far as we have heard, has seen the thing, but there are various reports as to its carryings-on. A gentleman who was out in Cool Spring last week said some cotton fields were suffering for pickers because the beast had frightened the laborers away.

— Fayetteville *Observer:* Deputy United States Marshal Atkinson arrested Aaron Simmons and Joe Holland in Roseboro yesterday afternoon on the charge of being implicated in the attempted postoffice robbery there Saturday night. These two young men, both white, were brought to this city last night, taken before U. S. Commissioner E. P. Powers and sent to jail in default of a $200 bond each. Mr. D. P. Williams was the man arrested Sunday and who gave bond yesterday.

— Charlotte *Observer:* Mr. W. J. G. Kuykendall's record in the family Bible will read differently from that of most people, as his is a record of coincidents. He was born on the 23d of April, and he has seven children, all of whom were born on the 23d of April. His father has the same birthday, also two of his brothers. Mr. Kuykendall has three sets of twins, and altogether his family in points of numbers and dates is an interesting one. Mr. Kuykendall is from Piedmont. He has but recently moved to Charlotte to live.

— Newbern *Journal:* Word was received here last night of the death, yesterday, at Washington, N. C., of Rev. J. L. Winfield, editor of the *Watch Tower*, the church paper of the Disciples in North Carolina. The *Journal* office is visited daily by farmers from the surrounding counties, and all say that cotton is short, the average report being 25 per cent. The falling off in the expected yield and the low price, makes the farmers rather indifferent to its gathering, besides the opening of cotton this year is so general, upon low and high lands at the same time, that it is impossible in most places to secure enough pickers, and any bad weather means still further losses in the yield of the crop.

Physical strength and energy contribute to strength of character, and both may be had by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

THE DRUMMER'S LATEST.

In the Theater He Had More Fun Than Was Intended.

The drummer always brings the latest trick. Here it is:

Take a spool of white basting cotton. Drop it into your inside coat pocket, and threading a needle with it pass it up through the shoulder of your coat. Leave the end an inch or so long on the outside of your coat and take off the needle. Four men out of five will try to pick that whole thread off your shoulder and will pull on the spool until it actually does seem as though your clothes were all bastings and that they were unraveling not only your clothes, but yourself.

"I went to see Wilson Barrett in 'Claudian' in Boston," said the traveling man. 'It was in the most interesting and pathetic portion of the play. Everybody was rapt. I was sitting bolt upright and didn't know or care to know a soul around me, when suddenly I felt some one tugging at that basting cotton that I myself had clean forgotten. I didn't say a word and did not move. Foot by foot it unrolled. Half glancing around I saw a man—a total stranger—yanking at the thread. His face was scarlet. He had pulled out about ten yards and was now hauling in hand over hand. He didn't care to stop because he had decorated my back and the whole aisle with basting cotton. He hardly dared to go ahead, for he didn't know what portion of my domestic interior economy he was trifling with. Rip, rip, went the thread. Hand over hand he yanked it in. The aisle was full of it. 'For heaven's sake, will it never end!' said he above his breath.

"I sat perfectly still and ran the spool while he pulled. How I wanted to yell. I never saw anything half so funny. The whole section of the house got on to it. They didn't know whether to laugh at me or him, but sat and looked on amazed at the spectacle. At last the stranger behind gave one frantic rip and yanked out about 11 yards in one bunch, and as the cotton got twisted around his watch chain, over his eyeglasses, in his hair and filled his lap, I turned around and producing the spool from my pocket said: 'I am sorry I misled you. You see I have about 124 yards left, but I presume that you don't care for any more tonight. I am honestly sorry, but I can't help smiling.'

"The man was a modest sort of gentleman in appearance. His face was as red as fire even to his ears. He looked at me and then at the spool. He changed color once or twice, and when the crowd caught on a big laugh went up."—American Commercial Traveler.

Proof of His Greatness.

"Yes," said the man at the club. "I understand that Lushkin is a great author."

"Indeed? You'd never think it to look at him. Why, what has he done?"

"Not very much."

"Has he written anything good?"

"Oh, yes. He sends things to the magazines."

"I never see them printed."

"No, I believe not. They usually send them back."

"No."

"Then why on earth do you call him a great author?"

"Well, you see, he is only 25, and none of the great authors had anything printed before that time. They used to get their manuscripts rejected just as happens to Lushkin. The fact that he is so treated is evidence that he is a great author."—Chicago Times-Herald.

Suspicious Circumstance.

"It may be mere coincidence," said he thoughtfully. "I hope that such is the case."

"What's that?" asked the other man.

"Why, every time I call at the Johnsons' I find the doormat turned so that the 'Welcome' is upside down as I go in and all right as I start for the street."—Pick Me Up.

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The regulation against fighting is perhaps the deadest of all naval regulations. It is impossible of enforcement. If it were enforced to the letter, pretty nearly all hands among the men forward would be in the "brig" from one year's end to the other. Fighting is practically a necessary evil among men who wear their country's uniform for a livelihood. Officers of experience blink at it. They know the bad, contaminating results of bitterness between a pair of bluejackets under the forecastle. They have learned that it is better the thing should be fought out and done with than that dozens of men should be drawn into a quarrel that festers and grows unless the head of it is broken by a decisive battle between the two men who have been snarling at each other. People who have made ocean voyages often dwell upon the wearisness which has overcome them at the sight of their fellow voyagers' countenances toward the end of a passage. This is a feeling which is aggravated a thousandfold amid the uncomfortable surroundings of a war vessel's forecastle, the hundreds of occupants of which are obliged to be constantly together for from one to three years. Each man becomes thoroughly aware of all his mates' little characteristics, and after awhile, whether these characteristics are good or bad, they jar upon him, if only on account of their monotony. Thus friction is generated, and it is for this reason that the crew of a man-of-war just returned to the United States after a three years' cruise in foreign waters is generally such a sour looking lot, even as concerns the officers aft, who become quite as sick of each other as do the men forward.

Hardly a day passes that there is not at least one scrap on board most men-of-war, with the promise of a heavier battle to follow. A bluejacket seats himself on another's ditty box, and, on being roughly ordered by the box's owner to vacate, he refuses and consigns the owner to a much less moist place than Davy Jones' locker. The men come together, two or three blows are exchanged, and then, as by common consent, each man draws away, both feeling that the "jimmy legs" (i. e., the master at arms) is not far distant and neither caring for a trick in the "brig." Having thus become involved in the minor fistic argument of the deck, the two bluejackets are looked to by the entire ship's company to bring their affair to a satisfactory conclusion. The mere exchange of growls between the two men doesn't go. "Pipe down there, ye men-of-war chaws, and settle the thing right," is the general remark hurled at them by all hands when they meet in mere contests of cuss words, and the sailor who is considered to be the aggrieved man is watched carefully to see if he makes any preliminary moves toward arranging a regular fight. He almost always does.

Nearly all the regular fights between bluejackets aboard ship are pulled off down below in one of the firerooms or in an empty bunker. The empty bunker is preferred on account of its greater isolation. When a fight is to come off between two bluejackets below, all hands know all about it, often including the master at arms himself, but very few of the men, unless they are intimates of the combatants, expect invitations to the fray. There is not room in a bunker for more than half a dozen friends of each man, and even with this number the space is rather contracted.

With a second each and a referee agreed upon by both, the men, stripped naked to the waist, go at it. The fights are not of the rough and tumble order. The men fight according to regular prize ring rules, and their shipmates are present to see that the rules are complied with. As many as 50 rounds are sometimes fought. Ordinarily one of the men goes under by the time the tenth round is called. If the men are unequally matched and one of them is getting palpably the worst of it, all hands in the bunker agree that the thing should stop, and it does stop. If the contestants are about of a sort, the fight is carried on to the end, until a knockout blow is planted by one of them or both are too weak to go on. At the conclusion of the fight the onlookers quietly depart from the bunker and ascend to the deck by different engine room ladders, so as not to attract the attention of the officer of the deck.

Both men generally get pretty thoroughly mauled and bruised up in these bunker fights, and when the battle is over they jump into their uniforms and repair to the sick bay to get themselves patched up with arnica, court plaster, etc. The surgeon knows at a glance what ails them, but for the sake of form he asks them what the trouble is. They have both fallen down a ladder. Both at the same time? No, sir; they fell down different ladders. "That's curious!" murmurs the surgeon, with a smile and a faraway look in his eyes, scribbling an account of their injuries in his record, and then he orders the apothecary to dress their wounds.—Washington Star.

Pipe Coloring.

Even in a pipe coloring contest the inevitable fakist plays his part. Said a tobacconist to the writer: "We gave a prize to a competitor whose pipe was most beautifully tinted, but we discovered when too late that its color had been imparted artificially. What the exact stain was we could never determine, but it gave a natural hue to the bowl and had been used time and again at similar contests by the originator.

"A prize of 5 guineas—offered by a pushing tobacconist—was very nearly awarded to a smoker whose pipe was of a lovely golden brown. Careful investigation revealed the fact that its complexion was barely skin deep, and a few minutes' gentle rubbing reduced it to its original state of whiteness.

"To color his pipe in a faultless state of uniformity a winner of many prizes baked the bowl in a dish containing some coloring solution. This placed in an oven and cooked gently fastened the color.

"A perfect specimen of the fakist's art would have carried the day, but its depth of color—a brown black of unusual richness—excited suspicion, and put to the test the pipe was discovered to be hand tinted. But for the artist's ambition to attain something extraordinary in the matter of color he would undoubtedly have come up first."—London Tit-Bits.

The True Remedy.

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Messages Sent by Telegraph Great Distances Without Interruption.

It was Sunday afternoon in April. Business was dead and the Western Union boys in the Little Rock office had nothing to do but to tell stories. Finally a discussion arose as to how far a single wire circuit could be worked, and one of the boys suggested that they test the matter then and there.

Before Buffalo responded somebody along the great wire circuit broke in and stopped further progress.

"Who's breaking?" asked the Little Rock operator.

"A. B." came back the answer.

"Who is 'A B?'"

"Ashtabula, O. Who is 'L R?'"

"Little Rock, Ark. How are you?"

"Pretty well, thank you."

"How's the weather in Ohio?"

"Delightful. How is it in Arkansas?"

"Hotter than ——."

Suddenly somebody broke in and opened the circuit.

A moment later communication was reestablished and the Little Rock operator repeated the sentence, "Hotter than ——."

Somebody again "broke." As soon as Little Rock "got the wire" the operator angrily clicked: "Keep out! Who's breaking us?"

The answer came, "A B."

"Whatare you breaking for, Ashtabula?"

"Because I don't think you ought to use such language in the presence of a lady."

What the boys in the Little Rock office said next didn't go over the wire at all.

But after that episode, every Sunday afternoon whenever business was dull, one Little Rock operator fought his way by wire to Ashtabula and had a chat—often cut short by intermediate interference—with "A B." And when the time for his summer vacation came along, he packed his grip and took a trip to the north. When he came back, he told the boys in the office that he had been "visiting friends in Ohio."—Chicago Times-Herald.

In the Catacombs of Mexico.

For gentlemen in reduced circumstances who wish to die quietly and comfortably, to be buried and have their bones cared for, and this without any report of the circumstances reaching the outside world for at least five years, Mexico is an ideal country.

This is on account of the peculiar custom in vogue for disposing of dead bodies. The cemetery or pantoon is inclosed by a wall, thus forming a huge vault, in one side of which the bodies are disposed. These graves or cells are about 2 feet wide, 2 feet high and 6 feet long. To lease one for all time costs a sum amounting to about $100. Usually, however, the grave is taken for five years, and this costs a comparatively nominal amount.

At the end of that time the niche must be vacated for another tenant. Should your bones, however, in the meanwhile have become mummified, more respect will be shown to you.

A label will be attached to you, stating fully who you are and what your occupation was, and you will then be placed in a standing position against the wall outside your niche.—Exchange.

A Dangerous Doctrine.

"All men," said the orator, "are born equal."

"Hold on," exclaimed a listener. "That may do to say on the sidewalk, but I can't take it home with me. If I were to let on to my wife that I thought our boy, whom we've christened Egbert, wasn't any better than the red haired twins next door, there wouldn't be anything left for me to do except to say 'farewell forever' and live at a hotel."—Washington Star.

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Wholesale Prices Current.

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☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		6½ @	7
Standard		@	7½
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔		13 @	14
Sides ℔ ℔		6 @	7½
Shoulders ℔ ℔		6 @	7½
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔		@	6¼
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	6
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each		1 00 @	1 10
New New York, each		1 35 @	1 40
New City, each		1 30 @	1 40
BEESWAX ℔ ℔			22 @ 25
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M		6 00 @	7 00
Northern ℔ M		9 00 @	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔		10 @	18
Northern ℔ ℔		18 @	26
CORN MEAL—			
Per Bushel, in sacks		@	47½
Virginia Meal		@	46½
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		@	75
CANDLES—℔ ℔			
Sperm		18 @	25
Adamantine		8 @	10
CHEESE—℔ ℔			
Northern Factory		11 @	12½
Dairy, Cream		12 @	13
State		@	10
COFFEE—℔ ℔			
Laguyra		20 @	
Rio		8 @	11
DOMESTICS			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch		18 @	30
EGGS—℔ dozen		@	15
FISH—			
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ barrel		22 00 @	30 00
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ half-barrel		11 00 @	15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ barrel		16 00 @	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ half-barrel		8 00 @	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ℔ barrel		13 00 @	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel		@	3 50
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel		@	3 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg		3 00 @	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔		5 @	10
Extra		3 25 @	3 50
FLOUR—℔ barrel—			
Low grade		3 75 @	4 00
Choice		@	5 00
Straight		@	5 25
Fine Patent		5 25 @	5 75
GLUE—℔ ℔		7½@9	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bags—White		@	50
Car load, in bags—White		@	45½
Oats, from store		@	30
Oats, Rust Proof		37½@	40
Cow Peas		60 @	65
HIDES, ℔ ℔—			
Green		@	6
Dry		@	8
HAY, ℔ 100 ℔s—			
Clover Hay		80 @	85
Rice Straw		@	50
Eastern		@	90
Western		@	85
North River		@	75
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔		1½@	2
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern		5½@	6
North Carolina		6 @	10
LIME, ℔ barrel		1 15 @	1 35
LUMBER(city sawed), ℔ M feet—			
Ship Stuff, resawed		15 00 @	2000
Rough-edge Plank		15 00 @	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality		13 00 @	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned		18 00 @	32 00
Scantling and Board, common		14 00 @	15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hhds		@	36
" in bbls		@	38
Porto Rico, in hhds		@	32
" in bbls		@	36
Sugar-House, in hhds		12 @	14
" in bbls		14 @	15
Syrup, in bbls		12 @	15
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut 60d basis		@	1 50
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	1 50
Rump		@	9 25
Prime		@	9 25
ROPE, ℔ ℔		10 @	12
SALT, ℔ sack Alum		@	75
Liverpool		@	80
Lisbon		@	
American		40 @	80
On 196 ℔ Sacks		@	60
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ℔ M		2 00 @	3 50
Common		1 80 @	2 25
Cypress Saps		2 50 @	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Granu'd		@	5¾
Standard A		@	5¼
White Ex. C		@	5
Extra C, Golden		@	4¾
C, Yellow		@	4½
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern		3½@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel		8 00 @	14 00
O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Fair		6 50 @	6 50
Common Mill		4 00 @	5 50
Inferior to Ordinary		@	3 50
SHINGLES, N. C. Cypress, sawed ℔ M 5x24 Best		7 50 @	8 00
" Sap		5 00 @	6 00
5x24 Heart		4 50 @	5 00
" Sap		3 50 @	4 00
6x30 Heart		6 00 @	7 00
" Sap		5 00 @	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		@	3½
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon—Northern		1 20 @	1 30
North Carolina		1 00 @	1 10
WOOL ℔ ℔—Unwashed		8 @	12

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, September 29

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 30 cents per gallon for machine-made casks, and 29½ cents for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1 10 per bbl for Strained and $1 15 for Good Strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.95 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market steady; $1.80 per barrel for Hard, 1 80 for Yellow Dip and 1 90 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm, 24½; 23¾c; rosin firm, $1 35, 1 40; tar, firm, $1.05; crude turpentine steady, $1 80, 1 65.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	95
Rosin	389
Tar	87
Crude Turpentine	48

Receipts same day last year—194 casks spirits turpentine, 431 bbls rosin, 129 bbls tar, 84 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 6c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	3 9-16 cts ℔ ℔
Good Ordinary	4⅜ " "
Low Middling	5 9-16 " "
Middling	6 " "
Good Middling	6¼ " "

Same day last year, middling 7⅛c.

Receipts—3 431 bales; same day last year 1,914.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 55@60c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 65c; Fancy, 70c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 45@50c; Fancy, 50c.

CORN—Firm, 47½@50 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—$1.10@1.15 per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams 8 to 9c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1 60 to 2.25; six inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven inch, $3.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $8.00 to 8.50 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

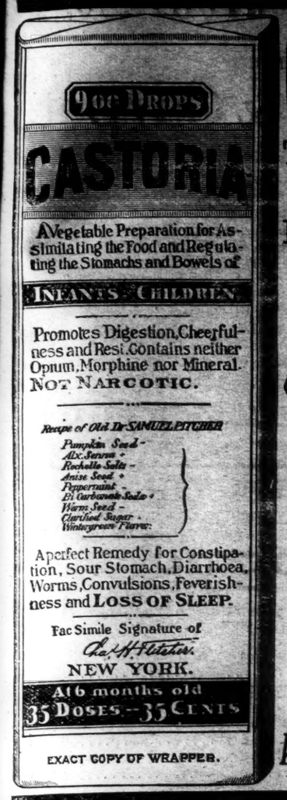
NEW YORK, Sept. 29—Evening.—Money on call was steady at 3@3 per cent., last loan at 3 and closed offered at 3 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4½@6 per cent. Sterling exchange easier; actual business in bankers' bills 481¾@485 for demand; 483½@483¾ for sixty days. Posted rates 483½@484 and 486. Commercial bills 481½@481¾. Silver certificates 54½@55. Government bonds firm; new fours, registered, 125½@125¾; new fours, coupon, 125½@125¾. fours, registered, 111¾@112¼; fours, coupon, 118¾@114¾; twos, registered, 98, fives, registered, 114½@115; fives, coupon, 114½@115. State bonds dull; North Carolina sixes 125; North Carolina fours 108. Railroad bonds heavy.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1 40@1 45. Spirits turpentine firm at 33¼@33¾c.

CHARLESTON, Sept. 29.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 29½; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels; A, B, C $1 05, D, E $1 10, F $1 15, G $1



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A whistling moth is an Australian rarity. There is a glassy space on the wings crossed with ribs. When the moth wants to whistle, it strikes these ribs with its antennæ, which have a knob at the end. The sound is a love call from the male to the female.

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AT DAWN.

When morning breaks,
What ship shall rise from out the boundless sea
To bid me greeting with the break of day,
Then float into the blue, forever free,
Or linger with the changing tides for aye?
What myths my mind in happy fancy makes
When morning breaks!

When morning breaks!
Ah, then what foundling hopes shall come to me
To seek fulfillment ere the close of day?
What songster sweet shall rise from out the lea
And pause to let me list his roundelay
The while his sleeping mate he gently wakes
As morning breaks?

When morning breaks!
Thy heart I pray from dulling care'll be free,
While mine—ah, had I only mine own way
You'd ever dwell beside the wave with me
And see the ships and hear the roundelay!
Alas, such visions happy fancy makes
When morning breaks!

—J. Harvey Lawrence in New York Times.

THE EUCLASE RING.

I will tell the story as well as I can, but it will be at best, I fear, but a thing of shreds and patches. It happened more than ten years ago, and in these days one lives fast and forgets soon, and some of the details may have escaped me. But it was your remark about words breaking no bones that recalled the tale. To me words are living things, endowed with a power that few of us give them credit for possessing. I believe with Adelaide Anne Proctor that—

Every word has its own spirit,
True or false, which never dies.

And I think that the story of Cecile Long's life goes far toward indorsing my opinion.

You must remember Frank Whittington? He was my godson, and I was very fond of him, and when he introduced me to his affianced bride, Miss Cecile Long, I was fully prepared to be almost as fond of her as he was.

She was certainly a very charming girl—bright, handsome and attractive—and I turned a deaf ear to the disparagers who whispered that she was weak and shallow, had been a tremendous flirt, and was, moreover, extremely delicate—a bundle of nerves and a most unfit wife for a man who had his way to make in the world. I thought them admirably well suited, and they seemed to think the same. I never knew them to differ on any subject save one, and upon that occasion Frank solicited my friendly intervention.

I remember the time and the place so well. We were sitting at tea together tete-a-tete in the cozy little boudoir of my house in Queen street, Mayfair. I can see now the rays of the setting sun filtering through the dark green Persiennes and touching with golden light the bright brown locks of my godson's curly head, and I can hear as plainly as I did then the note of passionate pain in his eager tones. He was not one to suffer in silence when a woman was at hand to sympathize, and in me he knew he had ever the most sympathetic of friends.

"Have you ever noticed," he said, "that little ring with the pale green stone that Cecile wears on the third finger of her right hand. No, it is not a crysolite. It is a euclase, a stone found in the Ural mountains. It is rather a rare stone, I believe, and the ring was given to her by the young Polish artist who used to be hanging about her at Ostend. He wanted to marry her, it seems, and—and he had no business to give her a ring, and she ought not to wear it. Don't you agree with me?"

I did; but, as I am nothing if not conciliatory, I murmured something soothing about "a gift from a departed friend." However, Frank would not be put off in this manner, and he made me promise to take an early opportunity of speaking to Cecile on the subject and pointing out to her the impropriety of wearing young Anatoff's gift.

"You must try and prevail upon her to throw it away or to give it to you, or to do anything she likes with it, but do not let me see it on her finger. She must not wear it."

I promised to do my utmost to induce Cecile to see the matter from his point of view, which was also mine, and with that intent I sought and obtained an early interview with her. I put the case gently but plainly before her. I appealed both to her respect for the convenances and her love for Frank. But I spoke in vain.

"I am very sorry, Mrs. Grey, but I cannot do what Frank asks. I really cannot. In the first place, it is a physical impossibility. My hand has grown so much fatter since poor Paul placed this ring on my finger that I cannot remove it now. Here it is, here it remains until I grow thin again! And, besides, I swore to him that I would never remove it whatever happened."

"What made you take such a vow?" I asked.

"I don't know; I can't say. I was hurried into it. It happened like this: We were walking on the Digue at Ostend one evening. Mme. Anatoff and mamma were on in front. Paul and I were behind. He was in very low spirits that day, for he had just seen some specialist, who had told him point blank that he had not six weeks to live, and he could not bear the thought of dying and leaving me. Up to that moment he had always cherished a secret hope that I might yet become his wife—poor Paul! He was a Pole, you know, and very romantic and superstitious and altogether different from any other man I have ever known. His despair that evening terrified me, and when he asked me if I would grant him one last request, whatever it might be, I answered 'Yes,' without thinking—anything to comfort the poor fellow. And the request was that I should let him place this ring on the third finger of my right hand, and as he did so repeat after him some sentences in Polish. I did it, and then he told me that I had sworn solemnly to wear this ring until death, to be buried with it, and that I had asked God to unite us hereafter, even if it should be his good pleasure to separate us here upon earth."

"And you took that vow and you uttered that prayer!" I exclaimed in horror.

"Yes," she said. "What else could I do? Paul was in despair, and he was dying. It would have been cruel to refuse him. There are times when I regret horribly having acted as I did in his request, and yet I am quite sure that if the time were to come over again I should behave exactly the same."

Then I entirely agreed with her. "If the time were to come over again," we should most of us "behave exactly the same." As were the bygone days, so will the coming ones be. The Ethiopian cannot change his skin. The copy book moralist has told us that "experience teaches." Possibly she does, but I fancy that the number of her pupils who have profited by her lessons is very small, and it will take her all she knows to enable her to hold her own (as an inspirer of conduct) against temperament—for the physical ways the moral, and the moral stamps the intellectual.

"And, after all," Cecile added, "I did nothing. I only spoke a few words."

"Every word has its own spirit,
True or false, that never dies.
Every word your lips have uttered
Echoes in God's skies."

I murmured.

"Don't, don't!" she cried. "That is the sort of thing Paul would have said. Thank heaven, Frank is not—transcendental."

I asked her if she knew the meaning of the word, and she laughingly replied that she knew it was something uncomfortable. And then she suggested that we should change the subject.

"And please tell dear old Frank not to bother. If he wants the ring, he'll have to saw off my finger to get it, and I suppose he doesn't wish to do that."

From that hour we dropped the subject, and I cannot remember any further allusion to it being made. I suppose the young people came to some satisfactory understanding, for Frank never again asked me to interfere in the matter, and I was thus spared any repetition of what is always an ungrateful as well as an unpleasant task.

Time passed on, and the wedding day was fixed, and Cecile, like most brides elect, lived in a whirl. Between dressmakers and friends and bridesmaids and relatives, not to mention Frank, she seemed to be "on the go" morning, noon and night, and I began to recognize the truth of one of the unfavorable remarks I had heard. She was unquestionably extremely delicate. She seemed to grow thinner day by day, and sometimes, when my eye fell on the offending little ring with its curious green stone, I would tell myself that soon it would not be a question of being unable to take it off, but of being impossible to keep it on. However, notwithstanding her thinness and her pallor, she was in excellent spirits and laughed our fears to scorn.

One morning, about a week before the day for which the wedding had been fixed, I went up to Savile row with the Longs to see the final trying on of the bridal costume. Cecile looked lovely in her marriage garment of soft, rich satin, the dead white of which was relieved here and there by the dark green of the myrtle leaves with which both the bodice and train were trimmed. The whole strength of the company was summoned from the atelier above to admire their handiwork and its wearer, who was all smiles and gracious responsiveness for a time, until suddenly, without a word or a sign of warning, she clutched hold of the chair against which she was standing and fell back in a dead faint.

We were not long in restoring her to consciousness, but before leaving the house I learned, to my grief and dismay, that this was not the first time that Cecile's strength had succumbed under a similar strain.

"But some young ladies never can stand for long," said the graceful, fair haired modiste, who looked herself ready to drop with exhaustion. "However," she added quickly, "it cannot be helped. One must stand for a certain time if one wishes to be properly fitted."

"One must suffer to be beautiful," I murmured sadly as I followed Cecile and her mother down the wide, handsome staircase.

The wedding day dawned dark and cold. The sky above was one still, gray cloud, but around us everything was clad in the white of freshly fallen snow—a wedding garment or a winding sheet, according to the mood of the beholder. The wind, which was from the east, bowled dismally down the chimney the whole time I was arraying myself for the festivity, and the sound filled me with a melancholy I could neither banish nor ignore. It was like the cry of a woman in pain.

When I entered the church, lavishly decorated with white flowers and autumnal leaves, the view was dulled and obscured by the brown mist which came creeping down the aisles, blurring the lamps and changing the pillars into shadows.

I had a good view of the bride as she passed up the aisle, and I thought she looked ghastly. Her face was white, her trembling lips were almost blue, and there were purple rings round her large dark hazel eyes.

The service commenced, but I could not fix my attention to listen. My nerves were on edge. The air seemed dense, as if a storm were brewing. I looked without seeing. I listened without hearing. Suddenly my husband touched my arm and whispered to me: "How nervous she is! She is drawing off the wrong glove! Why don't they tell her!"

Then I heard a tinkling sound, as of a coin falling on the hard mosaic floor, and I saw the smallest bridesmaid stoop and pick up something. Then came a cry which resounded throughout the church. "Do zobaczenia, Paul!" I saw the bridesmaids fall back as Mrs. Long rushed between them—and I remember no more.

When I came to myself, I was in the schoolroom which communicated with the church. My husband was with me, as well as Minnie Grey, my niece, who had officiated as chief bridesmaid. She was very pale and her eyes were full of tears. I had no need to ask the question. "It is all over," I said. "I know."

Minnie burst into tears. "It was instantaneous the doctor told us, aunt. And see what Isabel picked up!" And she handed me the ring that I had looked at so often with doubt and regret. The center stone—the euclase—had fallen out. Inside the band—a broad one—I read, "Do zobaczenia, Paul."

Only words! It was the spirit that had given them life—and death.—Exchange.

Lenbach, the Painter.

In appearance Lenbach is typical of his race, with tall, heavily built figure, near-sighted blue eyes, and thin sandy hair. His manner is marked by an extreme simplicity and an entire absence of ceremony, amounting at times to a sort of mental withdrawal from those about him. Only after a nearer acquaintance one realizes that the seemingly careless glance with which he receives his many visitors takes in with unerring precision their physical, social and mental dimensions. He is essentially a self made man. Born of humble parents a half century ago in a little village eight miles from Munich, he early showed marked artistic ability, and for a time was a pupil at the academy. He began almost immediately to make copies of the masterpieces in the Alte Pinakothek, by which he was enabled to support himself, while at the same time he was forming his own taste.

During the years of his early manhood he made journeys to Spain and Italy, where the cult of the old masters, which so distinguishes him, was encouraged and strengthened. It is one of his cardinal beliefs that the true breath of inspiration is drawn from them, and at this the formative period of his art he made numberless copies from the Italian and Spanish schools, as well as from those of the Netherlands.—"Lenbach, the Painter of Bismarck," by Edith Coues, in Century.

All She Required.

A certain shopwalker in a large establishment is noted for his severity to those under him in business. One day he approached a junior assistant from whose counter a lady had just moved away.

"You let that lady go without making a purchase?" he asked severely.

"Yes, sir, I"—

"And she was at your counter fully ten minutes?"

"Doubtless, but then you see"—

"Exactly. I saw that in spite of all the questions she put to you you rarely answered her and never attempted to get what she wanted."

"Well, but"—

"I shall report your carelessness."

"Well, I hadn't what she wanted."

"What was that?"

"Half a crown. She's a book canvasser, getting subscribers to the 'Life of Moses.'"

And the shopwalker retired crestfallen.—Pearson's Weekly.

POLLY'S DANDER UP.

Inflamed at Sight of an Offensive Bird a Visitor Wore on Her Hat.

A bridal couple who met in several days recently taking in the sights of the capital enjoyed themselves immensely until the day preceding their departure. It then occurred to the bride that she had not called upon "dear Fanny," who had been her chum during her days at the seminary. Now, Fanny was still enjoying single blessedness, and this may have had something to do with the anxiety of the bride to call upon her maiden chum. George demurred feebly, but at last consented to pay a formal call. The bride dressed herself in a fetching gown and placed upon her saucy head a Parisian dream in the way of a hat. The hat was one of those indescribable creations of the milliner's art, a mass of flowers with a bird or two partially concealed in the foliage, so to speak.

The pair went gayly forth and in a hotel coupe were soon at the door of Fanny's residence. Their cards were taken and they were ushered into the drawing room. While awaiting the coming of her friend the bride's attention was attracted to a large cage containing a splendid parrot. She chirruped cooingly to the imprisoned bird and wished she might take him out of his cage and caress him. George remarked that he looked tame enough and suggested the opening of the door of the cage. Suiting action to the word, he opened the door and the released bird calmly walked forth and strutted about, blinking his beady eyes knowingly. The bride, with usual calls of "Poll, pretty Poll!" coaxed the bird toward her, and poll proceeded to climb up the rounds of the chair upon which the lady was sitting and perched herself upon the arm of the chair. The parrot uttered guttural cries of "Polly, Polly," this word seemingly comprising her entire vocabulary.

The bird accepted the caresses, and apparently all was serene, but without an instant's warning she uttered a scream of rage and flew at the lady's headgear, alighting fairly thereon, and then for a few minutes the air was filled with flying feathers and bits of flowers, while the atmosphere was fractured by screams from the bride and discordant cries from the parrot. George attempted to come to the rescue and had his face badly scratched for his pains. The lady finally shook the bird loose from the flower garden she was wearing upon her hat and made one wild dash for the front door, followed closely by the bridegroom. Once on the pavement, they became somewhat composed and determined to return to their hotel to repair damages. They did not tarry long enough to see "dear Fanny."

The sudden wrath of the bird was evidently caused, George thought upon reflection during calmer moments, by the fact that amid the flowers in his wife's hat there nestled a stuffed Caroline parrakeet, which the parrot took to be a real live rival and proceeded forthwith to demolish. The bride is now a thorough convert to the teachings of the Audubon society.—Washington Post.

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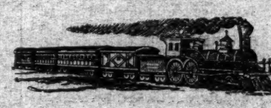

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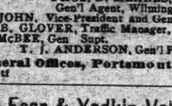

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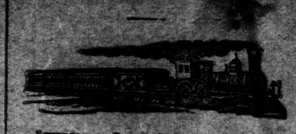

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DAILY except †Sunday 3 00 p m — No. 60—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 8 58 p m, Newbern 5 20 p m. This train leaves from Walnut street.

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DAILY 4.00 P M — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 5.59 p m, Chadbourn 6.40 p m, Florence 7.25 p m, Sumter 8.42 p m, Columbia 10.05 p m, Denmark 6.39 a m, Augusta 9.40 a m, Macon 11.30 a m, Atlanta 12.15 p m, Charleston 10.50 p m, Savannah 2.40 a m, Jacksonville 8.30 a m, St. Augustine 10.30 a m, Tampa 6.40 p m.

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By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, September 29.—The news of the Spanish cabinet crisis was first brought to the attention of the officials of the State Department and diplomatic officials through the Associated Press bulletin from Madrid, and up to a late hour to-night from no other source was information on the subject coming.

It cannot be said that the event caused surprise among the officials of the State Department, or among the members of the diplomatic corps in Washington. A careful inspection of the cable news for the past few weeks had left the general impression that the cabinet erected in haste after the assassination of Premier Canovas could not be expected to survive long. There were several reasons for this expectation, but perhaps the principal one was the belief that the dissensions among the supporters of the government, caused by the personal encounter between the Duke of Tetuan, the minister of foreign affairs, and one of the leaders of the Dissident Conservatives had not been healed, but had only been bridged over temporarily. The Dissident Conservatives at the time insisted upon the resignation of the Duke as a condition of their further support of the government. As the government depended not upon a homogeneous party, but rather upon a union of various elements generally opposed to Liberal ideas for its existence, that was a threatening condition and a crisis was averted only through strenuous efforts of Conservative leaders.

As to what is to follow the resignation of the cabinet, officials here are completely in the dark. Senator Sherman does not believe that it will materially affect the relations of Spain either to the United States or to Cuba, which seems to indicate an expectation on his part that when the cabinet is reorganized it will be found to be still of a Conservative tendency. On the other hand high officials in the administration expect that a Liberal cabinet under the leadership of the veteran Sagasta, will be erected on the ruins of the Accarraga cabinet. If this should be the case, the future is held to be full of promise for Cuba, for it is recalled that the Liberals have not hesitated to express their opposition to the great expenditure of human life and vast treasure to carry out the repressive Conservative programme for the conduct of the war. It is not believed that the Liberals are prepared to go to the length of promising freedom to Cuba, but from the expressions of the leaders of the party it is hoped that they are willing to grant so liberal a measure of home rule and autonomy to the island, that of Spanish sovereignty nothing would remain save a shred in the way of a few preferential duties and perhaps the power of appointing some official corresponding to the Governor General of Canada, named by the British crown. As incident to the selection of a Liberal Cabinet, it is expected would be the restoration of Martinez Campos to a position where he would be in a position to carry out the programme of the reformed Government in its Cuban policy.

UNITED STATES AND SPAIN.

Relations Between the Two Countries the Main Subject of Comment Among Diplomats in Washington.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, D. C, September 29.—The relations between the United States and Spain have become the main subject of comment among diplomatic officials, some of whom are communicating with their home governments as to the status of affairs. The cable reports from various European capitals that our ministers from abroad have learned that Austria was favorable to an alliance with Spain, and that Germany and France were considering what action European Powers should take in the event of American intervention, has given the Cuban question a new and broad significance to foreign representatives here. At least one of the embassies has been directed to keep its foreign office fully advised of all developments, and this, it is believed, applies to all the leading foreign establishments. There is a general desire to get the exact text of Minister Woodford's instructions. As to these, the State Department maintains the same reticence to diplomatic officials that it does to the general public. The presence of the Spanish minister has permitted an exchange of courtesy and confidence. The general conclusion among diplomats and the one which they are conveying to their governments is that the Woodford instructions do not embody an "ultimatum." At the same time these officials take the view that the United States has taken an advanced position, although not one involving any present critical issues.

In commenting on the situation, a diplomat from one of the countries forming the triple alliance said that the reports of Austria's attitude was of interest, owing to Austria being a member of the dreibund of Germany, Italy and Austria, but added that it was generally understood the alliance applied only to continental questions and to be mutually defensive rather than offensive. For this reason he did not believe it would apply if Austria became the ally of Spain, as that would be a voluntary action of Austria in behalf of Spain and not one in defence of the integrity of its territory.

Schooner Jesse Murdock, with lumber from Georgetown, S. C., for Boston, is at Chatham, Mass., with three sick men on board. A part of her deck load was washed off during the hurricane encountered off Hatteras last week.

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FIRE IN WASHINGTON.

LOSS ESTIMATED AT ONE MILLION DOLLARS.

Power Station of the Capital Traction Company and Other Buildings Destroyed—Offices of the Southern Railway Threatened But Saved.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, September 29.—Fire broke out in the central power station of the Capital Traction Company a few minutes before eleven o'clock to-night and in thirty minutes the magnificent six-story structure was doomed. The building occupies the entire block from Pennsylvania avenue to C street and from Thirteen-and-a-half to Fourteenth streets. The blaze started on the southwest corner and despite the efforts of the entire fire department swept like wind through the enormous building. The heat was so intense that the men were driven from the adjoining street. When it became evident that no efforts could save the power station, the department turned its attention to the adjoining property; but the flames leaped across Fourteenth street on the west to a big livery stable and then across Thirteen-and-a-half street on the east and attacked a row of three-story brick houses. So fearful was the heat that the firemen could not get within reach of the burning buildings. They were driven back foot by foot until the streams from the hose pipes could not reach the fire. The entire fire department was on the scene, but so fierce was the conflagration that their efforts were futile.

The power house was built four years ago. It is six stories in height, and besides containing the power plant of the Pennsylvania avenue lines of the Capital Traction Company, is occupied by dozens of offices. The walls began to fall by 12 o'clock, and with the decreasing heat the men were enabled to get to work on adjoining property. Several houses, however, have been gutted, and at this hour it is impossible to state the loss. Approximately it will be about $500,000 on the building, about $300,000 on machinery and stored cars, while the losses sustained by the tenants will amount to $200,000 more; making the total damage $1,000,000.

Two hours after the first alarm was given the huge building was reduced to a few crumbling walls. The loss on adjoining buildings will not be large, as those burned were old and small.

At one time the offices of the Southern Railway were threatened, but prompt work by the firemen checked the flames.

As a result of the fire the Navy Yard and Georgetown division of the Traction Company will be tied up until power can be installed at some other point.

HOG OR HUMAN BONES.

An Issue in the Luetgert Murder Trial at Chicago Between Leading Experts.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO September 29.—Hog or human. That is the issue in the Luetgert case at present, and according to the view of the case adopted by the jury is the fate of the defendant likely to be. If hog, he will in all probability go free; if human, there is no telling what will happen to him, or rather what may not happen to him.

The defence proved that the bone which Dr. Dorsey, the osteologist of the Columbian Museum declared was the femur of a human being, of a woman and of a woman of delicate physical structure, as was Mrs. Luetgert, is nothing but the bone of a hog. It came from a hog of delicate organization, so said the expert for the defence, but it was nothing but a hog for all that. The witness who declared all this for the defence was Dr. W. H. Allport, professor of descriptive and comparative anatomy in the Western University. He declared in the most positive manner that the femur was that of a hog, and that there was no chance of his being mistaken in the matter.

Dr. Dorsey, who proved for the State that the femur was that of a woman, was in the court room when Dr. Allport was on the stand and his face flushed when the expert for the defence declared that the bone was from a hog. He will take the stand when the time comes for the State to offer its evidence in rebuttal and prove to the jury that the femur is not that of a hog, but of a human being, of a woman and a woman of delicate physical organization.

The declaration of Dr. Allport clearly defines an issue between himself and Prof. Dorsey. They are the leading experts of the defence and the prosecution. Both pride themselves upon their reputation, and a battle royal will be the result.

THE LABOR CONVENTION.

The Three Days' Session Ended in a Climax of Incendiary Speeches.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, September 29.—The three days' session of the Labor Convention ended this afternoon in a climax of incendiary speeches. E. M. Bannister, of St. Louis, chairman of the convention, resigned the gavel to introduce a resolution advising strikers in general to arm themselves for resistance when necessary.

B. R. Creedon, of Idaho, was one of the most radical speakers. He said: "The time has come for radical measures. If we adopt this resolution it will make the St. Louis convention the largest gathering of workingmen in the history of the world. Every advance of the human race has been gained with guns and we must use them. This is the best thing that has been introduced into the convention. It is what my people expect."

M. J. McCarthy, of Chicago, opposed the resolution as a matter of policy, on the ground that it was not well to warn the public of their intentions. He said: "Gen. Miles has already asked that the army be increased to 235 000 men and we don't want to give the people any warning before we go at them, or that recommendation will be followed. It is poor policy to discuss this in an open convention because we can never beat the capitalists if we allow them to prepare. We must catch them before they are ready."

A motion to lay the matter on the table was carried after McCarthy's speech about its being poor policy.

The Western delegates secured a free silver amendment to the platform. They said they were empowered to announce that if it were not passed, not a cent of money would come out of the West to assist the Eastern man in strikes and other troubles.

STATE TICKET NOMINATED.

Massachusetts Republican Convention—The Platform Denounces Free Silver.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BOSTON, September 29.—The Republican State Convention to day nominated the following ticket by acclamation: For Governor, Roger Wolcott; Lieutenant Governor, William M. Crane; Secretary, William M. Olin; Treasurer, E. P. Shaw; Auditor, John W. Kimball; Attorney General, Hoza M. Knowlton. The foregoing are all re-nominations.

The platform denounced free silver.

The torpedo boat destroyers Lynx and Thrasher, grounded at Plymouth during a fog. The Thrasher broke in two. Three stokers were killed and two stokers were injured by the bursting of a steam pipe on board the Thrasher shortly after she grounded.

YELLOW FEVER SITUATION.

Four Deaths and Twenty-Two New Cases at New Orleans—Twenty-Four New Cases at Edwards, Miss.—Four New Cases at Mobile—Only One Death.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., September 29.—The *News* to-day received the following dispatch from a correspondent at English, Crawford county, Indiana:

"A supposed case of yellow fever is reported at Mifflin, seven miles southwest of here. The patient is Edward McKinny. He returned from Jonesboro, Ark., last Friday, was taken sick Sunday and has not spoken since. Numbers of people have recently died within a mile of Jonesboro. McKinny, it is said, has true yellow fever symptoms. Dr. Geo. R. Hazelwood, secretary of the county health board, refuses to admit that it is yellow fever, but Dr. N. W. King does not hesitate to pronounce it a genuine case and refuses to attend it."

The *News* has also received a telegram from Dr. Hazelwood as follows:

"There is considerable excitement at Mifflin, but in my opinion the case there is not yellow fever."

The State Board of Health has not as yet been notified of the appearance of yellow fever at Mifflin.

HOUSTON, September 29.—Eva Duncan, the negro woman who has been under guard three days, declared to be a suspicious case by State Health Officer Swearingen, but by every local physician to be suffering from dengue fever and kidney inflammation, is getting better. The Cotton Exchange and Board of Trade held a meeting to-day and passed resolutions requesting Surgeon General Wyman to send an expert here at once to look at the case, and wired it to him. Nobody here believes the woman has yellow fever, but every town in Texas has quarantined against Houston and the situation is very serious commercially, as the loss to trade is a million dollars a day while this ostracism lasts. Two thousand men are out of employment already on account of it and the list will grow daily. It is hoped here that the government will send Dr. Guiteras or some other man whose reputation will be sufficient to allay the fears around in the interior of the State.

NEW ORLEANS September 29.—To-day has been a record-breaker in the number of new cases of yellow fever reported, while the deaths equalled in number those of any day since the yellow fever was first discovered in the city. There are various reasons given for the spread of the disease, but the principal ones are two—that the weather turned warm again, and owing to the much wider field to cover the Board of Health has had some difficulty in getting every house as closely guarded as was possible when the cases were few in number and the trained officials of the board were stationed about the quarantined houses. The fact that the death rate has been small and that the chances of an epidemic have been constantly growing less have made the general public somewhat careless and there has been increasing friction between quarantined people and the authorities. Imprisoned inmates of houses have been going over back fences and sneaking out of side-doors in order not to be confined, and the result has been that more germs have been scattered and rapidly developed in these warm days. In no other season have the authorities been more strict in quarantining houses and isolating inmates who might be around the sick, and the result has been that every possible effort is being made by certain elements of the community to get the better of the board. The increased number of cases here has caused no general alarm, because the increase of deaths has not been in proportion. The death rate is a trifle under 13 per cent., when five or six days ago it was shown to be above 15. The conclusion, therefore, is natural that there is no increase in the malignancy of the disease. The authorities here still believe that for some time longer the new cases will occasionally exceed the number on the books to-day, but they are singularly one in the opinion that the disease cannot attain the proportions of an epidemic.

This was the record to-day: Four deaths and twenty two new cases.

Among the new cases reported to day is Ravenel Smith, a member of a well-to-do family. Five cases appeared on Jackson avenue, one of the fashionable streets of the city.

Most of the patients reported as ill are of the better class.

The saddest and most sensational case reported to-day was that of Mrs. Jennie Alford, who was stricken with the fever yesterday. Edward A. Reppard, her son-in-law, greatly terrorized, immediately packed his grip and fled North, leaving his wife to attend her mother in a strange city. Mrs. Alford died this morning and was buried in two hours. Her daughter is now prostrated.

EDWARDS, MISS., September 29.—Dr. Dunn, of the State Board of Health, gave the Associated Press the following statement:

Twenty-four new cases of yellow fever are reported to-day. One hundred and nine are under treatment; eight are seriously ill.

MCHENRY, MISS., September 29.—Drs. Wasdin, Haralson and Cant to night pronounced the suspicious cases reported here by the attending physicians to be yellow fever. The patients are C. A. Pughey and Charles Thamar, both well known citizens.

Dr. Watts, of Brownville, reports two new cases at that place. A child, named Taylor, died of the fever there to-day. The Edwards doctors are kept busy, having hardly time to give to their daily reports. There are several Edwards people desperately ill, and their condition causes their friends and relatives much uneasiness.

MOBILE, ALA., September 29.—Yesterday's report of ten new cases was offset to-day by a report of four. The only death in the twenty-four hours ending at noon, was Brother Synporian, at the Industrial Gardens.

There is much destitution in the families of the poorer classes of the infected district. The families in which sickness has appeared are practically shut off from the world, and their food supply soon gives out. The can't-get-away club is ministering to their necessities with great energy, and is successful in relieving much of the distress.

MOBILE, ALA., September 29.—Nine cases of yellow fever and one death, that of Mrs. N. Franklin, were reported at Scranton, Miss., to-day.

A GHASTLY DISCOVERY.

The Dead Body of a White Woman Found Hanging on a Tree in Rockingham County, Va.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND, Va., September 29.—A special to the *State* from Cowan's Depot, Rockingham county, in the Shenandoah Valley, says:

News of a ghastly discovery in the Massanutan mountains, six miles east of here, has just been received. Yesterday several hunters found the body of Pob. Falls, a notorious white woman, dangling at the end of a rope fastened to a tree. When discovered, the body was in the first stage of decomposition. It is supposed that the woman was hanged by negroes, who had been her companions lately. No effort has been made as yet to apprehend the guilty parties. She was a married woman, but for years her reputation had been unsavory, and finally she was driven to the mountains where she slept in the fields and in the woods.

SPAIN'S CABINET CRISIS.

The Ministry Resign—Sagasta, Liberal Leader, to Form a New Cabinet—He Favors Superseding Weyler and Granting Autonomy to Cuba Immediately.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MADRID, September 29.—The Spanish cabinet has resigned. The Queen has accepted the cabinet's resignation, but has asked Gen. Azcarraga to continue in office until a solution of the crisis is found.

Her Majesty will summon the leaders of the various parties and the Presidents of the Chambers to-morrow to consult as to the situation. Senor Sagasta has been telegraphed for, and it is believed that the Liberal leader will be asked to form a cabinet.

The ministry whose resignation has just been announced was constituted as follows:

Prime Minister and Minister for War—Gen. Marcello de Azcarraga.

Minister of Foreign Affairs—Duke of Tetuan.

Minister of Marine—Rear Admiral Don Jose M. Beranger.

Minister of Finance—Donjuan Navarro Reverter.

Minister of Commerce and Agriculture—Don Aureliano Linares Rivas.

Minister for the Colonies—Don Tomas Castellano.

Minister for the Home Department—Don Fernando Cos Gayon.

United States Minister Woodford, the Duke of Tetuan and the President of the Senate, the Marquis Pazo de la Merizad, held a long conference to-day, and General Woodford presented to General Azcarraga the members of the United States legation.

Owing to the cabinet crisis the Cuban pourparlers have been postponed.

MIDNIGHT.—It is said that Senor Sagasta is in favor of superseding Captain General Weyler and of granting autonomy to Cuba immediately.

Senor Gamazo will probably be Minister of Foreign Affairs in the new cabinet.

LONDON, September 30.—A dispatch to the *Daily Mail* from Madrid says:

"The solution of the crisis depends upon the policy to be adopted toward the United States.

"Liberal politicians declare that they will stoutly resist America's pretensions.

"General Azcarraga, in a long interview with the Queen Regent to day explained the situation. It is believed that he asked her majesty if she was ready to confirm the government in necessary powers, in view of the attitude of the United States. After the interview he summoned the cabinet. The meeting was attended by Senor Reverter, the excommunicated Minister of Finance, and Senor Cos Cayon, Minister of the Interior, both of whom tendered their resignations. Shortly afterward the Premier tendered the resignation of the entire Cabinet."

A RUMOR IN LONDON.

That the United States Have Made Overtures for the Purchase of Greenland—Excites Ridicule in Washington.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, September 29.—There is a rumor in Canadian circles that the Government of the United States have made overtures to the Government of Denmark with the object of acquiring Greenland from the latter country.

The *Evening News* gives prominence to the rumor and says:

"Under ordinary circumstances, even if true, the report would excite little interest, but coupled with the news of the hoisting of the union jack over Baffin's Land, it becomes of great moment. It appears that Baffin's Land was never formally acquired by the English, although it has been regarded as English for half a century. Hudson's strait is destined to become part, in the future of a great grain carrying route between Liverpool and Winnepeg, which will be a powerful rival of the American land routes. The Americans have no port or footing on the eastern shores of the continent north of Maine, and if they are to participate in the advantages of the Hudson Bay route, it has been apparently urged that their Government secure some island or peninsula without delay."

The *Evening News* adds to this comment an interview with an unnamed Canadian official, to the effect that the hoisting of the union jack over Baffin's Land was undoubtedly evoked by the report that the United States government had its eye upon that territory. According to the official quoted, there is nothing to prevent the United States purchasing Greenland from Denmark.

WASHINGTON, September 29.—State Department officials ridicule the story attributed to Canadian sources that the United States government is negotiating with Denmark for the acquisition of Greenland. It is positively denied that the United States has any designs upon territory in that part of the world.

WARM WIRELETS

Large lumber yards and saw mills at Ironton, Ohio, were destroyed by fire last night, together with a number of residences. The loss is estimated at over $300,000.

The acting consul general at Havana has cabled the State Department that Pedro Manuel Hernandez Montes, an American citizen who was arrested at Quines, has been released by the Spanish authorities.

TROY, N. C., Sept. 5, 1897.—I was in a debilitated condition. I took Hood's Sarsaparilla and it restored me to my usual health. I do not think there is any medicine equal to Hood's Sarsaparilla for purifying the blood and building up the system. W. T. BOULDEN.

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At the left of the dial a skeleton stands,
And aloft hangs a musical bell in the tower,
Which he rings by a rope that he holds in his hands,
In his punctual function of striking the hour.
But the funniest sight of the numerous sights
Which the clock has to show to the people below
Is the holy apostles, in tunics and tights,
Who revolve in a ring or proceed in a row.

—New York Times.

Patriotic Fasting.

The energy of English patriotism shows itself in all classes of English people, from the peer to the criminal. An incident of the Crimean war mentioned by Mr. Hawthorne in a letter to his family illustrates this fact. We quote from "Some Memories of Hawthorne," published in The Atlantic Monthly: "No act of the British people in behalf of the soldiers has struck me as so noble and touching as that of the reformed criminals at an institution in London. They wished to contribute something to the patriotic fund. The only way they could do it was by fasting. So from Sunday night till Tuesday morning they ate nothing, and the money saved—£8 and over—was sent to the fund. Precious money is this!"

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FRAUD INVESTIGATION.

SPECIAL MASTER CRAIGE CONTINUES THE HEARING.

It Will Be Resumed October Fourteenth—Generally Regarded As a Farce—Col. Andrews Returns to Raleigh—The Case Against Burns, Keeper of the Capitol.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 29.

Mr. Harry Lee, the son of Capt. J. W. Lee, formerly Chief of Police of this city, but now the representative of the American Tobacco Company at Yokohoma, Japan, is on his way to this country to enter Bingham school. A young Japanese, M. Yesohe, accompanies him, and will enter the A & M. College here. He cannot speak a word of English.

Col. A. B. Andrews and family returned to the city this morning in Col. Andrews' private car from a trip to the Pacific coast. This is the first vacation the Colonel has taken in twenty-seven years.

Every one who has attended the lease hearing has reached the conclusion that it is a farce. The sessions are very amusing.

Editor Haywood, of the defunct *Tribune*, threatens to whip one of the counsel of the Governor for calling him a hired agent of the Southern Railway.

Special Master Kerr Craige convened the second day's session of his court this morning. All the attorneys who were present yesterday attended this morning, and Dr. Norment, president of the North Carolina railroad, graced the session with his presence. Auditor Ayer, Treasurer Worth and Capt. S B. Alexander were among the spectators.

Mr. R. P. Foster, agent of the Southern Railway at Asheville, was the first witness. He was asked what he knew of a shipment of freight last December from Asheville to Raleigh to F. M. Mesler. Col. Busbee objected. Col. Averitt said this was asked to show that discrimination was made to Mesler to secure through him the influence of the *Tribune* to prevent an investigation by the Legislature or the courts of the State Col. Busbee denied that the books brought by Mr. Foster would show any discrimination to Mesler, but objected on the ground of utter irrelevancy. Mr. Manning was anxious to know who Mesler was. Col. Averitt answered that he was secretary and treasurer of the Raleigh *Daily Tribune*. Judge Avery objected to the old directors being represented. Mr. Manning replied that it was not from mere pleasure that they were parties and if Judge Avery would withdraw the charge of fraud against them then the old directors would not desire any representation here.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

Special Master Craige excluded the testimony of Foster, and the defendant's counsel excepted. T. B. Arendell, W. W. Hayward and other witnesses were examined relative to the relation of the Southern Railway and the defunct *Tribune*, but no new facts were developed. The hearing was continued until the 14th of October, depositions to be taken in the meantime.

The jury failed to agree in the case of Keeper of the Capitol Burns charged with drawing a knife on Charles Coldwell, and the solicitor allowed a verdict of not guilty.

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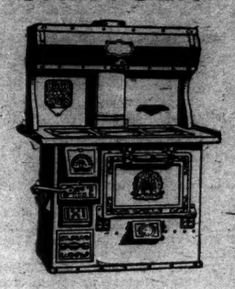

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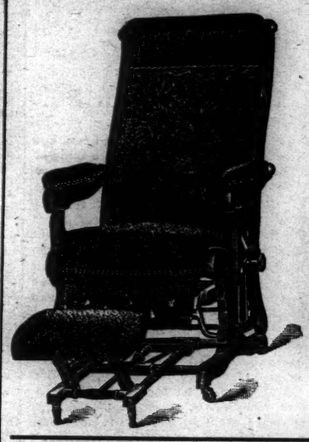

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